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For: TREATMENT OF DIABETES WITH ROSIGLITAZONE AND INSULIN

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to the examination of this application, Applicants respectfully request amendment of the above-identified application as follows:

In the specification:

Kindly add the Abstract enclosed herewith on a separate sheet, at the end.

In the claims:

Please delete claim 12.

Please amend claims 1, 3-11 and 13 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for the treatment of diabetes mellitus and conditions associated with diabetes mellitus in a mammal, which method comprises administering an effective non-toxic and pharmaceutically acceptable amount of 5-[4-[2-(N-methyl-N-(2-pyridyl)amino)ethoxy]benzyl]thiazolidine-2,4-dione (Compound I) and insulin, to a mammal in need thereof.

3. (Amended) A method according to claim 2, which comprises the administration of 2 to 12 mg of Compound (I).

4. (Amended) A method according to claim 3, which comprises the administration of 2 to 4, 4 to 8 or 8 to 12 mg of Compound (I).

5. (Amended) A method according to claim 4, which comprises the administration of 2 to 4mg of Compound (I).

6. (Amended) A method according to claim 4, which comprises the administration of 4 to 8mg of Compound (I).

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